

Stillwater County Economic Development

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Invitation for CTEP Projects

Stillwater County is currently accepting project requests for funding under the Federal CTEP (Community Transportation Enhancement Program) (administered through the State Department of Transportation) from Columbus and other community groups and non-profit organizations in the County. To be eligible the projects must qualify for one of the 12 following transportation-related categories:

- 1. Pedestrian and bicycle facilities
- 2. Acquisition of scenic easements and historic or scenic sites
- 3. Scenic or historic highway programs including provisions of tourist and welcome centers
- 4. Landscaping and scenic beautification
- 5. Rehabilitation and operation of historic transportation buildings, structures, or facilities.
- 6. Establishment of transportation museums.
- 7. Historic Preservation
- 8. Archaeological planning and research
- 9. Mitigation of water pollution due to highway runoff or reduce vehicle-caused wildlife mortality while maintaining habitat conductivity.
- 10. Preservation of abandoned railway corridors.
- 11. Control and removal of outdoor advertising
- 12. Provisions of safety and educational activities for pedestrians and bicyclists.

MATCH FUNDING REQUIRED: The organization sponsoring a CTEP project is responsible for 13.42% of the total project cost. These projects are funded federally at 86.58% of the project cost.

PROJECT SELECTION: The Stillwater County Planning Board will hold an advertised public hearing, review the proposed projects, and determine which one will be funded based on the following: benefit to the community, cost, level of community support, compatibility with other plans or programs, and ability to comply with environmental requirements.

APPLICATION PROCESS: Contact Stillwater County Economic Development at the above address for the application form. Applications are due back to the Development Office by August 14. For more information contact Melissa Kramer, 322-8050.